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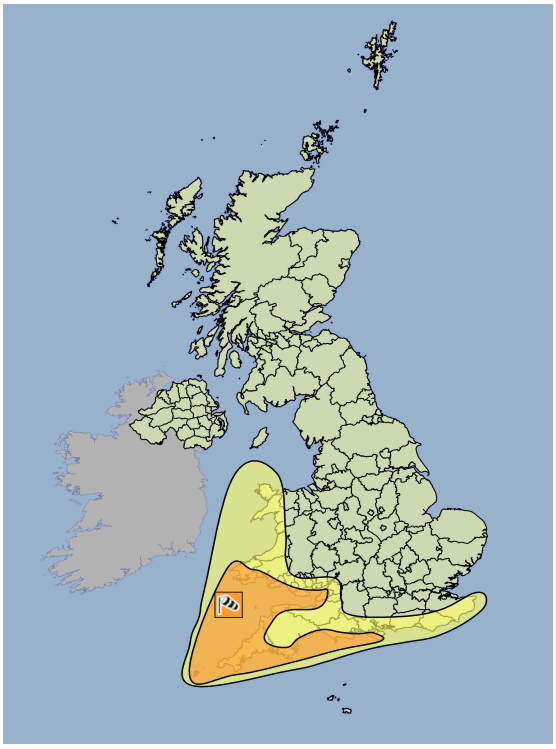

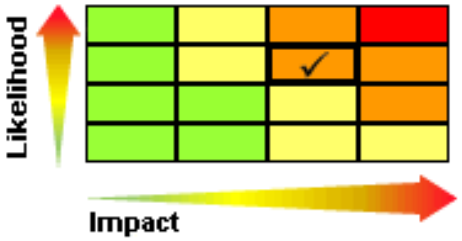

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A short period of southerly gales on the forward side of an occluded front will affect exposed coastal areas with gusts of 60 mph likely in places.

The deep area of low pressure will move east into Northern Ireland during Saturday, with a band of severe gales likely to develop on the southern flank, with parts of southwest England, Wales and coastal districts bordering the Bristol Channel and English Channel bearing the brunt of the strongest winds, particularly through Saturday afternoon and evening. These winds will also whip up large waves over the eastern Atlantic which will affect southwest facing coasts during Saturday. The very strong winds are expected to last into Sunday morning for many parts.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **20:00 on Fri, 07th Feb 2014** until **06:00 on Sun, 09th Feb 2014**

Southerly gales will affect south facing coasts of southwest England and south and west Wales during Friday evening, moving east along English Channel coasts overnight into Saturday.

After a short lull, winds will increase from the southwest during the course of Saturday with severe gales affecting coastal districts, bringing gusts of 60-70 mph and isolated 80 mph at the most exposed locations within the Amber warning area. Large waves are also expected to affect southwest facing coasts. Further inland, gusts of 50-60 mph are likely.

The public should be prepared for disruption to transport and locally to power supplies, particularly when combined with the impacts of heavy rainfall (see heavy rain warnings).

This warning has been updated to extend it into the first part of Sunday and to include western Wales in the yellow area.

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